CLASSIFICATION SECTAT/CONTROL - U. S. OFFICIALS ONLY Approved For Release 2002 (18/07) CLARDRS -00457R003900360002-2 INFORMATION REPORT CD NO. CONFIDENTIAL DATE DISTR. 30 DEC 49 COUNTRY Rumania Arrests and Trials of Officers SUBJECT NO. OF PAGES 1 of the Rumanian Armed Forces TO CALLON PLACE NO. OF ENCLS. 25X1A 25X1ACQUIRED 25X1A DATE OF INFO SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. SOURCE 1. On 19 November, two Rumanian officers who had been under arrest since 1947 were sentenced to death on charges of treason and espionage. They had been defended by the **STATOTHR** 2. Both officers were executed at Znagov. 3. During the night of 22-23 November, twenty-five officers, including officers of the Rumanian General Staff, were placed under arrest. Four of these officers, including an official of Section II (Intelligence) of the General Staff and three of his subordinates, are said to have been executed shortly after their seizure. The investigation leading to the arrest of the twenty-five officers was supervised by the Soviet authorities. 4. A "large number" of army officers holding posts of command in Transylvania have been placed under arrest by special detachments sent from Ducharest for this purpose. 5. Rumanian soldiers and Militiamen stationed in the Banat have shown unwilling. ness to carry out orders to fire on resistance groups and peasants opposing policies of the Rumanian Government. This document is hereby regraded to CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the letter of 16 October 1978 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Archivist of the United States. Next Review Date: 2008

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